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INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE DEPARTMENT
(MINES-III)

AMENDMENT TO RULE 7, 10, 12 & 14 OF THE ANDHRA PRADESH MINOR MINERAL CONCESSION RULES, 1966.

[G.O.Ms.No.8, Industries & Commerce (Mines-III), 16th February, 2022.]

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 15 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (Central Act 67 of 1957), as amended from time to time, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendments to the Andhra Pradesh Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966 issued in G.O.Ms.No.1172, Industries & Commerce (B.I) Department, 4th September, 1967 as subsequently amended.

AMENDMENTS

In the said rules,-

(I) in rule **7(A)(v)**, before the existing provisos, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely;

"Provided that any such application may be entertained even after the prescribed period specified above for further period of one (1) year, if the applicant satisfies the Deputy Director concerned that he had sufficient cause for not making application within the specified time".

(II) in rule **10(7)(i)**, for the expression "from 25.03.2021", the expression "**w.e.f. 07.06.2021**" shall be substituted.

(III) in rule **12(5)(c)**, before the existing provisos, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely,-

"Provided that any such application may be entertained even after the prescribed period specified above for further period of one (1) year, if the applicant satisfies the Director that he had sufficient cause for not making application within the specified time"

(IV) for rule **14**, the following shall be substituted, namely,-

"14. An applicant for Prospecting Licence shall before the licence deed is executed deposit a sum of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten thousand only) for every hectare or part thereof for which, the licence is granted.

An application for a quarry lease shall before the deed is executed, deposit as security, for the due observance of terms and conditions of the lease, a sum, equivalent to three (3) times annual dead rent.

Provided that the existing leaseholders shall deposit a differential sum which is equivalent to three (3) times annual dead rent minus security deposit already furnished, within three (3) months from the date of notification of these Rules. Failing which, action shall be initiated against the defaulters under these rules by giving the defaulters a reasonable opportunity.

Provided further that on receipt of request from the leaseholders who had already deposited as security, a sum, equivalent to five times annual dead rent, the excess deposit, if any, shall be returned to the respective leaseholders.

Provided also that in case an applicant or a leaseholder expires, the successor(s) of the deceased person shall be considered as the applicant or the leaseholder respectively. In such cases, the Security Deposit already paid shall also be considered in the name of the successor(s) of the deceased person.

Provided also that M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation (a wholly state-owned Corporation), shall pay a sum equivalent to one (1) year dead rent as Security Deposit for the existing leases and the leases to be granted."

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI,
Principal Secretary to Government (Mines).

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